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Ms. Francine Torres
Administrator
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Dear Ms. Torres,
As a citizen and consumer deeply concerned about food safety, human health and animal welfare, I'm writing to express my strong support of the February 1, 2005 recommendations from the National Organic Standards Board Livestock Committee regarding pasture requirements. Allowing animals ample time to roam and graze freely in fresh air is absolutely essential to their health and wellbeing.
Therefore, the February 1st recommendations regarding pasture issued by the NOSBLC should not be dropped as a requirement for organic standards. In addition, these pasture requirements should be closely monitored and strictly enforced by the USDA.

In closing, I urge you to uphold and enforce the recommendations for pasture as outlined by the NOSBLC on February 1st as requirements for organic standards. I look forward to hearing of the USDA's leadership on this critical matter.

Sincerely,
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